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The Reply Brief under 37 CFR 41.41 and the Request For Oral Hearing received on 02/08/2006 have been noted and entered and CONSIDERED.

THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES FOR DECISION ON APPEAL.


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